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Curious Baths in Penang.
One of the many things that strike the tourist as curious at Penang is the type of baths with which the hotels are provided. Penang is in the Straits Settlements, a British crown colony in the Malay peninsula, deriving its name from the straits of Malacca, which form the great trade route between India and China. From each of the first class rooms opens a dark, cement paved, damp smelling little room which serves as the bath. In it is an immense jar of porous brown earthenware about five feet high, nearly three feet in diameter in the middle and but one and a half feet in diameter at the top. It stands huge and graceful of outline, but dark and uninviting, and is full to the brim with water, not, however, to get into. Near it are a supply of soft soap and a long handled quart dipper. The proper procedure is to soap the body well, then throw several dippers of water over it, repeating the process until satisfied. There is water enough to keep it up for an hour or so, and there is a bucket to catch water as large as a sheet to wrap up in when the bath is over. —Detroit News-Tribune.

Gamecocks in Panama.
The color line is not very distinctly drawn in the Latin republics. The San Blas Indians are found in and around Panama. Like the Seminoles of Florida, they never were conquered. A curious feature of native life in Panama is the cockfighting, which, like baseball in the United States, is more attractive to the public than any other form of recreation. Even the workmen on the streets have favorite birds, tethered near by and seize every opportunity to test their prowess. The click-click of steel spurs as the birds strike each other, the spurting of blood and the clamor of men indulging in small wagers seem to supply the mental excitement that Spaniards find in bullfights and that English speaking races derive from less brutal contests. The cocker of each gamecock stands behind it, and if his bird shows signs of exhaustion he takes it up and puts its bill into his mouth while he refutes its exhausted lungs. One gamecock in a fight witnessed by the writer, appearing almost dead, was thus revived, went back into the pit and finally killed its opponent. —National Magazine.

What is an Element?
In his little book called "The Elements" Sir William A. Tilden defines an element as "a substance from which by the operation of ordinary chemical processes only one kind of matter can be obtained." This is something quite different from the four elements of Aristotle—fire, water, earth and air—or the salt, sulphur and mercury of the alchemists. Even in modern times the conception of what an element really is has changed somewhat. Sir William adds: "Until quite recently the elements of the inorganic world were supposed to be fixed, immutable with the lapse of ages or under the mighty forces concerned in the making of worlds. But within a few years we have learned that the atoms at least are continually crumbling away. It is impossible to say whether all may not be suffering a slow waste which in the long run may lead back to the primal chaos."

When the Plague Raged.
Sir Walter Besant in one of his books says of the author of "Robinson Crusoe" and "Journal of a Plague": "De Foe was born in the year 1661. His father lived in Cripplegate, where, as we know, he had a shop. The child, therefore, was four years of age in the plague year. A child of four observes a great deal and may remember a great deal. De Foe says: 'When any one bought a joint of meat he would not take it out of the butcher's hand, but took it off the hook himself. On the other hand, the butcher would not touch the money, but put it into a pot full of vinegar which he kept for the purpose.' This must surely have been seen by the child and remembered. It happened in his father's shop before his eyes."

A German Legend.
The Germans have a legend of Frederick Barbarossa that he is not dead, but in an enchanted sleep, sitting with his knights at a marble table in the cavern of Kyffhausen, in the Harz mountains. His long red beard, has grown during this long enchantment and, covering the table, descends to the floor, and he sits thus waiting the moment that will set him free. There has been kept for long centuries. There he must stay for ages.

The Soft Answer.
He—Ugh, I'm going out of this, and you won't see me again until the day of judgment.
She (sweetly, getting the last word, as usual)—All right, dear, and if you aren't feeling in a better temper please let it be well on in the afternoon.—London Saturday Review.

Sympathetic Admiration.
Dinks—So you enjoyed the circus?
Winks—Yes; I was particularly interested in the juggler. I'll bet that man could get any number of bundles from a street car to the train without dropping one of them.—St. Louis Times.

His Objection.
Scottish Bachelor—Will ye hae some tea? Visitor—Oh, please don't trouble! Bachelor—It's no the trouble; it's just the expense.—Punch.

It Would.
Ella—They say sugar alone will sustain life for some time. Stella—Life would be sweet, wouldn't it?—Exchange.

In Bad Fix

"I had a mishap at the age of 41, which left me in bad fix," writes Mrs. Georgia Usher, of Conyers, Ga.
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Thackeray's Satire.

Thackeray created quite erroneous impressions of himself by often indulging in irony in the presence of people who were incapable of understanding it. One curious instance which he gave was this: Thackeray had been dining at the Garrick and was talking in the smoking room after dinner with various club acquaintances. One of them happening to have left his cigar case at home, Thackeray, though disliking the man, who was a notorious tuft hunter, good naturedly offered him one of his cigars. The man accepted the cigar, but, not finding it to his liking, had the bad taste to say to Thackeray, "I say, Thackeray, you won't mind my saying I don't think much of this cigar?" Thackeray, no doubt irritated at the man's ungraciousness and bearing in mind his tuft hunting predilections, quietly responded, "You ought to, my good fellow, for it was given me by a lord." Instead, however, of detecting the irony, the dull immediately attributed the remark to snobishness on Thackeray's part and to the end of his days went about declaring that "Thackeray had boasted that he had been given a cigar by a lord."

Maternal Instinct.

"Children that yell like that ought either to be gagged or kept at home," remarked the frigid gentleman with the white beard to the bus conductor.
"And faces like the one you're scarin' people with," chipped in the mother of the noisy infant, "oughter be made into door knockers or sent ter the chamber o' horrors."
The gentleman with the patriarchal face fungus took a brick red complexion. "I know it's awkward at times"—he commenced.
"It's more'n awkward; it's nothin' short o' 'terrible," snapped the lady, as she once more glanced at the sorry elderly man's set of features.
When the rest of the passengers tittered audibly the old gentleman came to the conclusion that it behooved him to speak to the point.
"I mean the child"—he tried once more.
"And you didn't mean it no good," returned the lady, "else you wouldn't a looked at it!"—London Idios.

The Expense of a Wife.

A wife is a decided addition to the demands upon one's purse. In that sense, however sensible and managing she may be, she is expensive. But everything worth having has its price of one sort or another, and there are some things which cost much without which life is hardly worth living.
Said Thiers: "Most men contemplate making some self denial when they marry. They think they will give up such and such expensive pleasures. Later on, when they discover that they cannot do so, and at the same time they lack the means to indulge, they complain that it is the extravagance of their wives which causes the inconvenience."
Which wise saying is applicable to men in other countries besides that of France.—New York American.

Reiterated.

Edmund Kean was playing in "Richard III." and the part of Catesby had to be taken by a low comedian, who snarled on to the stage at the wrong moment and uttered the famous words, "My lord, the Duke of Buckingham is taken," in the wrong place. Edmund clinched his fists in rage, but otherwise took no notice of the remark.
Later the comedian repeated the words in the right place, and when the king expressed surprise at the news Catesby folded his arms, walked boldly down the stage and remarked to the great actor in loud tones: "I told you so before, Mr. Kean, but you wouldn't believe me."

Nonroyal Headgear.

One of the attaches of the American embassy at London tells a story where in Michael Joseph, the poet, who was appointed a police magistrate in Dublin, was the principal figure. There was brought before him an Irish American charged with suspicious conduct. The officer making the arrest stated, among other things, that the culprit was wearing a "Republican hat."
"Does your honor know what that means?" was the inquiry put to the court by the accused's lawyer.
"It may be," suggested Barry, "that it means a hat without a crown." —Harper's Magazine.

Saving His Feelings.

The Office Boy (to persistent lady artist who calls six times a week)—The editor's still engaged. The Lady Artist—Tell him it doesn't matter. I don't want to marry him. The Office Boy—I haven't the art to tell him that, miss. He's had several disappointments today. Try and look in again next year. —London Sketch.

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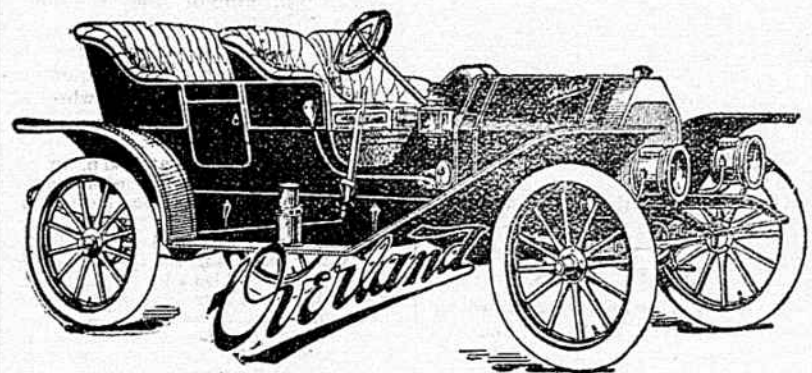
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